

**REMARKS**

Claims 1-15, 17 and 18 are pending in the present application. Claims 16 and 19-22 have been cancelled. This application was indicated to be in condition for allowance except for certain formal matters.

**Title**

The title has been amended as suggested by the Examiner.

**Abstract**

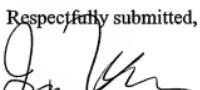
The Abstract has been amended to more closely reflect the claimed subject matter.

**Claims**

Claims 19-22 are canceled as indicated.

**CONCLUSION**

In view of the amendments and remarks contained herein, it is believed that all claims are in condition for allowance and an indication of their allowance is requested. However, if the Examiner is aware of any additional matters that should be discussed, a call to the undersigned attorney at: (415) 318-1160 would be appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,  
  
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